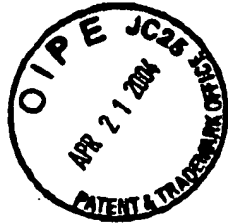


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Ryan M. Gleitz
Yutaka BAN, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/028,668)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 3670
Filed: December 28, 2001)	
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For: DEVELOPER CARTRIDGE AND)	April 21, 2004
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS	:	

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due form, dated January 21, 2004, in the above-identified application. The Issue Fee is due no later than April 21, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith in lieu of paying the Issue Fee.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the application, as follows: